have taken up upgradation of six domestic airports in the State of Gujarat in the recent past;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the upgradation work has since been completed in all the airports;

(d) by when the upgradation work is likely to be completed;

(e) whether Government propose to upgrade any of these airports as international airport to attract foreign flights and tourists in the State; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The following works for upgradation of six airports in Gujarat are in progress: (i) Extension of runway at Ahmedabad and Bhavnagar airports; (ii) Construction of terminal buildings at Bhuj and Porbandar airports; (iii) Resurfacing of runway at Rajkot airports; (iv) Installation of Airport Surveillance Radar/ Monopulse Secondary Surveillance Radar (ASR/MSSR) at Ahmedabad; Doppler Very High Frequency Omni Range (DVOR) and Distance Measuring Equipment (High Power) DME(HP) at Bhuj; (v) Construction of Technical Block cum Control Tower and expansion of Apron/additional taxiway at Vadodara airport.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Installation of equipment is likely to be completed by the end of 1996. For other works involving acquisition of land and tender formalities, 18 to 24 months would be required for completion after award of the work.

(e) and (f) No, Sir. However, Ahmedabad and Vadodara airports are being developed to cater to limited international operations.

जाली शेयरों के मामले

2331. **श्री कनकसिंह मोहनसिंह मंगरोला:** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने जाली शेयरों के कुछ मामले दर्ज किए हैं;

(ख) यदि हां, तो गत दो वर्षों के दौरान ऐसे मामलों का ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) इन मामलों में अन्तर्ग्रस्त कम्पनियों के नाम क्या हैं?

वित्त मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम): (क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही है और सभा-पटल पर रख दी जाएगी।

Rise of Malaria in Andhra Pradesh

2332. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the increasing menace of malaria in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details of malaria cases reported in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) what number of deaths due to malaria have occurred in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) the steps proposed to assist the State Government in combating malaria?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) As per the reports received from Govt. of Andhra Pradesh, the number of Malaria Cases and deaths in the State during 1995 and 1996 (upto May) have been as under:-

Year	No. of Malaria Cases	Deaths
1995	98,013	8
1996 (upto May)	37,640	1

(d) The National Malaria Eradication Programme is Centrally Sponsored Scheme being implemented in the States on 50:50 Cost Sharing basis between the States and Centre on Plan Expenditure. The Central Govt, supplies insecticides, drugs and larvicides to the States as a part of Central Share to undertake the anti-malaria activities. Further, the Directorate of National Malaria Eradication Programme (NMEP) Delhi provides technical guidance to the State Govts. to combat malaria.

Measures to Increase Growth of Plants and Herbs

2333. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether in view of growing popularity

of Indian System of Medicine viz. Ayurveda and Unani, Government are taking any measures to increase the growth of plants and herbs used in preparing medicines;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor:

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMIY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Government Organisations like Council of Scnientific & Industrial Research, Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Botanical Survey of India etc. are engaged in research/studies on development measures for growth of plants and herbs of medicinal value.

Besides it, there are schemes implemented by various Government Departments for Conservation, Development and Cultivation of plants and herbs of medicinal value (medicinal plants) as under:—

(i) Central Scheme for Cultivation and Development of Medicinal Plants by Department of ISM & Homoeopathy, Ministry of Heath & Family Welfare.

(ii) Centrally-sponsored Scheme for Conservation and Development of Non-Timber Forest Produce, including Medicinal Plants—by National Afforestation and Eco-Development Board, Ministry of Environment & Forest.

(iii) Central Sector Scheme for Development of Medicinal and Aromatic Plants-by Department of Agriculture & Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture.

(c) The schemes presently under implementation are of modest size compared to the size of the problem. For adequate availability of medicinal plants a much large programe of plantation will be called for and this would require substantial financial resources which are not currently available to the Department. The requirement of funds for this purpose has already been projected to the Planning Commission for IXth Plan.

Ban on Reuse of Old Tins for Packing

2334. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Directorate General of Health Services has proposed to impose ban on reuse of old tins for packing the edible oils;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI SALEEM IQBAL SHERVANI): (a) and (b) Re-use of old tins for packing of edible oils has been banned under the provisions of Prevention of Food Adulteration Rules, 1955, to safeguad the health of the consumers.

(c) Does not arise.

अनुसंधान और विकास पर व्यय किए गए सकल घरेलू उत्पाद की प्रतिशतता

2335. **श्री अनन्तराय देवशंकर दवे:** क्या वित्त मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) अन्य विकासशील देशों की तुलना में देश में अनुसंधान और विकास पर सकल घरेलू उत्पाद का कितना प्रतिशत व्यय किया जाता है;

(ख) अनुसंधान और विकास के मामलों में भारत के अन्य देशों से अत्यधिक पीछे रह जाने के क्या कारण है;

(ग) क्या अनुसंधान और विकास के क्षेत्र में निवेश में पर्याप्त वृद्धि करने का कोई प्रस्ताव है; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है?

वित्त मंत्री (श्री पी. चिदम्बरम): (क) सूचना नीचे तालिका में दी गई है:-

भारत और चुनींदा विकासशील देशों के लिए सकल राष्ट्रीय उत्पाद की प्रतिशतता के रूप में अनुसंधान एवं विकास पर हुआ व्यय

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भारत	0.8 (1992)
अर्जेनटाईना	0.4 (1988)
ब्राजील	0.4 (1985)
वेनेजुएला	0.3 (1985)
मिश्र	0.2 (1982)